TEXT OF DRV GOVERNMENT STATEMENT ON SECRET TALKS

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(DRV GOVERNMENT STATEMENT DATED 26 OCTOBER)

(TEXT) AFTER YEARS OF GLORIOUS RESISTANCE BY OUR ARMED FORCES

AND PEOPLE IN BOTH ZONES, THE AMERICANS IN OCTOBER 1968

HAD TO END THEIR BOMBING AND SHELLING OF THE DRV AND AGREE

TO ATTEND THE QUADRIPARTITE CONFERENCE IN PARIS. THIS DEVELOPMENT

OPENED PROSPECTS FOR RESTORING PEACE IN VIETNAM.

BUT THE NIXON ADMINISTRATION HAS FOLLOWED THE PATH OF VIETNAMIZING
THE WAR AND OF NEGOTIATING FROM A POSITION OF STRENGTH, THUS
CONTINUING TO PROLONG AND INTENSIFY THE U.S. WAR OF AGGRESSION IN
VIETNAM AND BRINGING THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS TO A STALEMATE.

THE STANCH, INDOMITABLE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE FOR THE LAST
4 YEARS HAVE STEPPED UP THEIR JUST STRUGGLE ON THE MILITARY,
POLITICAL AND DIPLOMATIC FRONTS AND WON UNPRECEDENTEDLY
GREAT VICTORIES, ESPECIALLY SINCE THE SPRING OF 1972, THUS
SERIOUSLY DOOMING THE VIETNAMIZATION POLICY. AT THE SAME TIME,
THE DRV GOVERNMENT HAS ALWAYS MANIFESTED A SERIOUS, GOOD-WILL
ATTITUDE AIMED AT ADVANCING TOWARD A PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THE
VIETNAM PROBLEM ON THE BASIS OF GUARANTEEING THE VIETNAMESE
PEOPLE'S FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS AND THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE PEOPLE'S
RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION.

WITH THE ABSOLUTE UNITY OF MIND OF THE PRGRSV, THE DRV
GOVERNMENT HAS CONDUCTED PRIVATE CONTACTS WITH THE U.S.
GOVERNMENT AIMED AT PEACEFULLY SOLVING THE VIETNAM PROBLEM;
BUT AS OF SEPTEMBER 1972 NEGOTIATIONS ON THE VIETNAM PROBLEM
REMAINED FRUITLESS.

IN ORDER TO ADVANCE THE NEGOTIATIONS, IN A PRIVATE
MEETING ON 8 OCTOBER 1972 THE DRV SIDE TOOK AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT
NEW INITIATIVE IN ADVANCING A DRAFT AGREEMENT ON AN END TO THE
WAR AND RESTORATION OF PEACE TO VIETNAM, AND PROPOSED THAT THE
DRV GOVERNMENT, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE PRGRSV, AND THE U.S.
GOVERNMENT, WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM,
AGREE TO AND SIGN THIS AGREEMENT IMMEDIATELY, AIMED AT
PROMPTLY RESTORING PEACE TO VIETNAM.

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